

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A vehicle door latch comprising:
a locking mechanism ~~(1, 2)~~;
at least one operating lever ~~(3)~~ for the locking mechanism ~~(1, 2)~~; and
a motor drive ~~(4, 5, 6, 7)~~ containing a drive disk ~~(5)~~ with a front-sided cam **for causing a reciprocating motion of the at least one operating lever, the cam having an irregular-shaped wheel and an end portion located about a cam rotational axis coincident with a drive disk rotational axis,** ~~(4)~~ and a rear-sided element limiting the angle of rotation ~~(7)~~ and an electric motor ~~(6)~~ for causing a rotation of said drive disk ~~(5)~~ in an actuation direction and in a reverse direction, said rotations being limited by the element limiting the angle of rotation ~~(7)~~,
wherein the motor drive ~~(4, 5, 6, 7)~~ opens the locking mechanism ~~(1, 2)~~ by directly acting upon the locking mechanism ~~(1, 2)~~ solely via contact of the cam ~~(4)~~ with the **at least one** operating lever ~~(3)~~.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the element limiting the angle of rotation ~~(7)~~ cooperates with a stationary stop ~~(8)~~, preferably fixed to latch housing ~~(13)~~ and limits the movements of rotation of the motor drive ~~(4, 5, 6, 7)~~ to the actuation and reversing direction.
4. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the **at least one** operating lever ~~(3)~~ contains at least two arms, an operating arm ~~(3a)~~ and an actuation arm ~~(3b)~~.

5. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 4, wherein the at least one operating lever (3) contains three arms, including an additional opening arm (3e).

6. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 4, wherein the operating arm (3a) is acted upon by the drive (4, 5, 6, 7), whilst the actuation arm (3b) acts upon the locking mechanism (1, 2).

7. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 3, wherein the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) acts upon the at least one operating lever (3) in its actuating direction for opening the locking mechanism (1, 2) until the element limiting the angle of rotation (7) rests against the stop (8) in an opening position.

8. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 7, wherein the opening position is maintained until the locking mechanism (1, 2) has been reliably opened.

9. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the at least one operating lever (3) pivotally engages a pawl (2) of the locking mechanism (1, 2) to open the locking mechanism (1, 2) and then, the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) is acted upon in reverse direction until the pawl (2), held previously by the at least one operating lever (3) is released.

10. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein in an opening position of the drive disk (5), a counterforce generated by a spring (F) on the at least one operating lever (3), runs radially through the cam (4) in the direction of a rotation axis (5') of the drive disk (5) without providing a lateral force running in said actuation direction or in said reverse direction on the drive disk (5), wherein said counterforce generated by the spring causes the cam to engage the at least one operating lever to set and maintain the opening position of the drive disk.